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Hoopeston man found dead in cell, investigation underway

The death of a Hoopeston man found dead in a cell at the Vermilion County jail Sunday is under investigation.

Joshua J. Edwards, 43, was found unresponsive in his cell by a correctional officer at the Public Safety Building. Officers unsuccessfully attempted resuscitation efforts. He was pronounced dead at 11:14 a.m., said Jane McFadden, Vermilion County Coroner, in a

press release issued Monday afternoon.

Mr. Edwards was taken to the Public Safety Building after he was charged with domestic battery in an incident at 3:12 a.m. Friday. He was held at the jail pending an arraignment hearing on the charge.

An autopsy was scheduled for Monday. McFadden's office and Illinois State Police are investigating Mr. Edwards' death.



Making way

An unidentified employee of BJ Trucking and Excavating helps clean up debris Tuesday as the former home of WHPO and other businesses is demolished. The company was contracted by Casey's General Store to remove existing structures to make way for a new Casey's. One house and several trees were removed Monday. The business plaza was expected to be down Tuesday and a second house and the former Dick Jones Auto Sales building razed yet this week. About two-thirds of the debris will be recycled, including metal, asphalt and concrete and the rest taken to the Hoopeston landfill, said employee Dennis Wood.

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HA soccer has win, losses in recent action

Hoopeston Area High School’s soccer team has had mixed results in recent action.

On April 1, the team traveled to Rossville to face Bismarck-Henning/Rossville Alvin in a big VVC tilt.

Hoopeston Area got on the board first with 27:19 left in the first half when Owen Root threw the ball toward the Blue Devil goal and Ben Brown out-jumped the defense to head the ball into the goal.

The Blue Devils tied things up very quickly when Keanu King scored his first of three goals on the night at 26:19. Shortly after, King took a great pass from Hayden Rice to put the Blue Devils up 2-1 with 18:08. King put the Blue Devils up 3-1 when he scored again in the first half.

The Cornjerkers made it 3-2 going into half-time when Nick Hofer had a throw-in and once again Brown made the perfect run to get a head on the ball and found the back of the net for his second goal of the half at the 9:31 mark.

Hoopeston Area came out in the second half and tied things up at the eight minute mark when freshman Harry Woods scored his first career goal from Isias Diaz.

The Blue Devils jumped ahead once again when Rice dribbled around the Cornjerker defense with 14:44 left in the game. Cornjerkers kept battling and with 8:42 left in the game Hofer again had another great throw in and Root was able to head the ball into the net to tie. About four minutes later, Root put the Cornjerkers ahead for good when he scored on a rebound to make the score 5-4.

Derek Drayer was the winning goalie with 18 saves on the night.

On April 3, the Cornjerkers hosted Oakwood/Salt Fork and fell to the Comets, 5-1.

The Comets scored first on a goal by Cooper Myers. Three minutes later Root was able to score on a rebound to tie things up with 31:16 left in the first half. Sam Howie broke the tie when Brady Tevebaugh made a nice-looking pass just by the Cornjerker defense to make it 2-1 going into half.

Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department, police and EMS were called at 11:36 a.m. Monday to Centennial Manor, 426 E. Honeywell, for an activated fire alarm on the second floor. No injuries or damage were reported.

Hoopeston Area had their opportunity at times in the second half, but could not find the back of the net. The Comets took over the game with 20 minutes left when Tevebaugh scored to make the game 3-1. The Comets made things 4-1 when Grant Powell made a long pass to freshman Myers for the score and the 30 seconds later Tevebaugh struck again for his second goal of the game with the assist going to Aaron Dean.

Hoopeston Area goalie Drayer had 14 saves while facing 19 shots that were fired at him.

Hoopeston Area raveled to Urbana on April 6 to take on a strong University High team. Uni flexed its muscle, defeating the Cornjerkers 8-3.

The Cornjerkers fell behind early, 2-0, when Isias Diaz scored within 50 seconds of the University High second goal to make it 2-1. The team came out in the second half scoring less than two minutes into the half when Diaz scored on a deflection to make it 6-2. Less than a minute later Nick Hofer made the game 6-3 when he found the back of the net with 37 minutes left..0

Drayer saved 24 of 32 shots from University High. Thursday night was senior night for Hoopeston Area soccer. The team recognized Will Nogle before the game for his four years of dedication to Cornjerker soccer team and his outstanding work in the classroom. Nogle will attend Parkland Junior College next fall.

The Cornjerkers took on a very good, experienced Fisher-GCMS team who entered the game with a 6-2-1 record. The Bunnies had the wind in the first half scoring two goals to make the game 2-0 at halftime.

From the Blotter

A 16-year-old Hoopeston boy was charged with assault Friday after a 43-year-old Hoopeston woman reported a verbal altercation. Officers responded to the call in the 700 block of East Honeywell at 9:03 p.m. The youth was located and released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City court.

Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 55. Tonight, decreasing clouds. Low 36. Tomorrow, areas of frost, then mostly sunny. High 58, low 37.

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With 28 minutes left in the game, Brown was able to capitalize on a penalty kick to make the game 2-1 and end all scoring for the night.

Drayer had another good game, stopping 20 shots out of 22 that the Bunnies put on goal. The Cornjerkers were home on Monday against Clifton Central.

Classifieds

HELP WANTED

The Legion, formerly the American Legion, will be opening soon and is now hiring bar tenders. Call 217-260-5630 for inquiries.

City of Hoopeston is accepting applications for swimming pool manager, assistant manager and lifeguards. Application and job description are available at www.cityofhoopeston.com or at Hoopeston City Hall, 301 W. Main St.

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Teasdale Latin Foods has immediate openings in both Distribution and Manufacturing. Pay based on experience level. Stop by the Human Resources office at 215 W. Washington, Hoopeston, for more detail. Please no phone calls.

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